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Serial No. 10/525,079

Art Unit: 2633

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It is believed that no fee is required. If it is determined that a fee is due, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2041.

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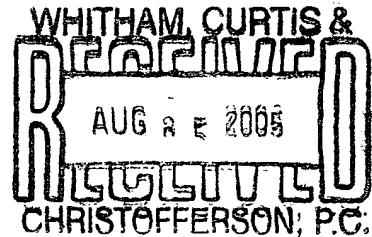
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**Foreign Applications**

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**Non-Publication Request:** No

**Early Publication Request:** No

**Title**

Optical information recording/reproduction medium recording method, recording/reproduction method, and reproduction method, recording device, recording/reproduction device, reproduction device, and optical information recording/reproduction medium

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**Preliminary Class**

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Title: Recording Method, Recording and Reproducing Method, Reproducing Method, Recording Device, Recording and Reproducing Device, etc.

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Prior to examination on the merits of this application and prior to calculating the filing fees, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

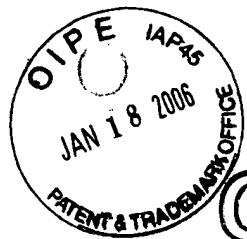
Amendments to the Title begin on page 2 of this paper;

There are no Amendments to the specification.

There are no Amendments to the claims.

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**REMARKS**

The title is being changed to reflect a more accurately descriptive title.

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